

THE MILITARY COMPENSATION AND RETIREMENT MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

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MCRMC Holds Ft. Bragg Public Hearing and Town Hall Meeting
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Arlington, VA. -- Members of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission will hold a town hall meeting in Fayetteville, NC, on June 25, 2014. The specific agenda is included below. All sessions are open to service members, retirees, veterans, family members, and the interested public.

The Commissioners will hear testimony from witnesses on matters surrounding the programs that compensate the members of our Unformed Services and that therefore support the long-term health of the All-Volunteer Force.

Congress' National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 established a nine member Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission. The Commission's task is to review the military compensation and retirement programs and make recommendations for their modernization to the President and Congress in February of 2015.

The goal of the Commission's recommendations will be to ensure the long-term health of the All-Volunteer Force, provide for a high quality-of-life for the members of the Uniformed Forces and their families, and make sure that the compensation and retirement programs are financially sustainable.

The Commission recognizes the core of our national security is the men and women who choose to serve in our Uniformed Services. In turn, our government's military compensation programs are central to the success of the Services' efforts to recruit and retain service members. These beliefs will guide the important work the Commission will do in the coming months and shape the Country's strategic choices for years to come.

The members of the Commission include: Mr. Alphonso Maldon, Jr. (Chairman), former Congressman Stephen Buyer, former Congressman Chris Carney, retired Army General Peter W. Chiarelli, retired Navy Admiral Edmund Giambastiani, Jr., Mr. Mike Higgins, former Senator Bob Kerrey, former Senator Larry Pressler, and the Honorable Dov Zakheim.

AGENDA (All sessions outlined below are open the public)

Press Availability

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2014

Location: Embassy Suites, 4760 Lake Valley Drive, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28303

Time: 9:30 – 9:45 AM

PUBLIC HEARINGS – The Chairman and Commissioners will hear from selected panelists on the topics outlined below.

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2014

Location: Embassy Suites, 4760 Lake Valley Drive, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28303

<u>Time</u> <u>Subject</u>

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Senior Local Military Commanders and Senior Enlisted Advisors 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm TBD (Local Military/Veteran Transition Service Organizations)

3:15 pm to 5:00 pm Department of Defense and Local Schools

TOWN HALL -- The Chairman and Commissioners will hear from Service members, veterans, retirees, family members, and the public. Attendees will be given an opportunity to address the Chairman and Commissioners and relay to them their experience and comments.

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2014

Location: Embassy Suites, 4760 Lake Valley Drive, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28303

Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm